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SUB: STUDY BY HARRINGTON SUBCOMMITTEE ON LABOR CONDITIONS
AND INTERNATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER RECEIVED JULY 20:

BEGIN QUOTE:

DEAR AMBASSADOR YOST:

I AM WORKING FOR CONGRESSMAN HARRINGTON, WHO CHAIRS
THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT. I AM
PRESENTLY INVESTIGATING THE LABOR CONDITIONS IN THE
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, AND EXPLORING THE INFLUENCE WHICH
INTERNATIONAL CORPORATIONS HAVE IN THE DOMINICAN
REPUBLIC. THE SUBCOMMITTEE HAS DECIDED TO USE THE
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AS A CASE STUDY FOR A MORE THEORET-
ICAL REPORT ON THE LABOR CONDITIONS IN DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES. I AM PRESENTLY WRITING THIS CASE STUDY.

AS I HAVE DISCOVERED IN MY RESEARCH, THE DOMINICAN
REPUBLIC SITUATION IS A COMPLEX ONE. IT IS HARD TO
SORT OUT THE ROLES WHICH CORPORATIONS SUCH AS GULF &
WESTERN HAVE PLAYED IN THIS COUNTRY.

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I WILL BE IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC THE END OF
THIS MONTH AND WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH YOU. I WILL
CONTACT YOU WHEN I ARRIVE TO SEE IF THIS WILL BE
FEASIBLE. I ALSO PLAN TO CONTACT MR. STRASSER AND
MR. GOLDMAN.

I WANT TO THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.

SINCERELY,

CHIRS HEDGES

END QUOTE.

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF HEDGES COULD BE INFORMED THAT AMBASSADOR AND OTHERS WILL BE GLAD TO PROVIDE HIM SUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE WITH REGARD TO THE ROLE OF AMERICAN BUSINESS IN DOMINICAN COMMERCE AND DEVELOPMENT. THE TIMING IS SOMEWHAT INOPPORTUNE, HOWEVER, WITH A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE OF ADMINISTRATION TAKING PLACE SHORTLY AFTER HEDGES' PROPOSED VISIT, AND BELIEV STUDY COULD BE MORE EASILY CARRIED OUT AND RESULT IN MORE VALID EVALUATION OF FACTURAL SITUATION IF VISIT COULD BE POSTPONED UNTIL SEPTEMBER. IT THIS APPEARS LO BE IMPOSSIBLE, WE WILL OF COURSE DO OUR BEST TO ASSIST HEDGES IN DEVELOPING THE PERSPECTIVE REQUIRED BY THE CHANGING POLITICS IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

3. WILL APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO PROVIDE.
YOST

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